

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 470

By Norris

A RESOLUTION proposing amendment of Article VI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee, to authorize a system of merit-based appointments with retention elections for judges of the appellate courts.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that the Constitution of Tennessee be amended:

By amending Section 3 of Article VI to add the following sentence:

As an alternative to contested elections, the Legislature is authorized to establish, by law, a system of merit-based appointments with retention elections for judges of the appellate courts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing amendment be referred to the One Hundred Seventh General Assembly and that this resolution proposing such amendment be published in compliance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the clerk of the senate deliver copies of this resolution to the secretary of state.